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SUBJ: TURKISH FLIGHTS TO BERLIN

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1. SUMMARY: AN EMBASSY OFFICER TOOK A RECENT OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS TURKISH AIR QUESTIONS WITH FOREIGN OFFICE REPS, SHEDDING SOME LIGHT ON THE SUBJECT OF RECENT TURKISH- FRG CIVIL AIR CONTACTS. END SUMMARY.

2. THE FOREIGN OFFICE SENT INSTRUCTIONS TO ITS EMBASSY IN ANKARA FEBRUARY 19 THAT A DEMARCHE BE MADE TO TURKS RE CIVIL AIR MATTERS. THE DEMARCH WAS TO HAVE BEEN MADE WITH ALLIED SUPPORT. AS SUCH SUPPORT WAS NOT IMMEDIATELY FORTHCOMING, THE ANKARA DEMARCHE WAS DELAYED.

3. THE FOREIGN OFFICE, DRAWING ON ITS OWN EARLIER INSTRUCTIONS, THEN DISCUSSED CIVIL AIR QUESTIONS WITH TURKISH EMBASSY REP IN BONN FEBRUARY 26. TWO PRIMARY POINTS WERE MADE: (A) THE FRG WOULD PREFER TO HAVE
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TURKS DELAY CIVIL AIR NEGOTIATIONS WITH GDR UNTIL THE FRG ITSELF HAD NEGOTIATED THE SUBJECT WITH THE GDR;
(B) FRG FELT THAT TURKS SHOULD PRESS GDR FOR OVERFLIGHT RIGHTS TO WEST BERLIN DURING NEGOTIATIONS ON ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH THE GDR. ALLIES WERE NOT ASSOCIATED WITH BONN DEMARCHE.

4. ACCORDING TO FOREIGN OFFICE REPORTS, FRG COUNSELOR DISCUSSED POINT (B) WITH TURKISH FONOFF REPS IN ANKARA MARCH 8, AND THE GERMAN AMBASSADOR FOLLOWED WITH A FORMAL DEMARCHE ALONG SIMILAR LINES THE FOLLOWING DAY. THE GERMANS HERE DO NOT KNOW WHETHER THEIR AMBASSADOR RAISED POINT (A), OR WHETHER AND TO WHAT DEGREE HE ASSOCIATED THE ALLIES WITH THE DEMARCHE. THE FOREIGN OFFICE PLANS TO QUERY ITS EMBASSY IN ANKARA TO GET ANSWERS TO THESE QUESTIONS.

5. IF GERMAN AMBASSADOR FAILED TO MAKE POINT (A) TO THE TURKS, FONOFF MAY CONSIDER ASKING HIM TO DO SO. HOWEVER, WE WERE ASSURED THERE WILL BE NO FURTHER DEMARCHES TO THE TURKS ON CIVIL AIR MATTERS WITHOUT PRIOR CONSULTATION WITH ALLIES IN BONN GROUP. WE WILL REPORT FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS. HILLENBRAND

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